

JUST GOSSIP ABOUT PEOPLE

Nancy Wynne Is Interested in Street Carnival Tomorrow Night—She Chats About Several People and Several Things

AREN'T you excited about the street party the Emergency Aid is getting up? It's to be held tomorrow night on Broad street between Pine and Spruce streets; and that square is to be roped off, so there will be no traffic to interfere with the dancing in the middle of the street. It is to be hoped that it will be clear; though goodness knows if it is as hot on Friday as it has been for the past few days, no one would want to dance. However, it does get a bit cooler at night and on the broad open street it will be great to whirl around to stirring music.

The various theatres have lent scenery for the street. I don't know just how it's going to be arranged, but I do know it will look wonderful, for when the Emergency Aid gets started doing things it usually does them all right and Mrs. Tom Robins is getting it up. Mrs. Warburton, Mrs. George Lorimer and a number of other women are deep in the work. There will be some candy booths, fruit, vegetables and flowers for sale, and there are to be several bands to keep the dancing going.

I've heard the nicest things about the new Mrs. Eckley Cox. You know Eckley was married yesterday down in Savannah to Mary Owens. I was talking to a girl who knows her. She had met her last summer and she says she is very good looking and charming. Has a pretty but not too decided southern accent and seems to be an extremely sensible, lovable girl. One who will mix in well with strangers. That's some recommendation for a girl who is coming to Philadelphia to live.

I always feel sorry for any one going to a strange city and it seems as if Philadelphia is particularly hard that way. But the Coxes are so popular, there's no question but that the new Mrs. Cox will be warmly welcomed and she will keep the welcome for her own sake once she becomes known, for I have reason to think my informant knows.

Eckley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Cox, of Paoli, you know, and is a nephew of Alexander Brown Cox and Henry Brinton Cox. His sister is Jane Cox, who is or rather was, at boarding school this year at Middleburg, Va.

I AM sorry to tell you that Mrs. Bertram Lippincott, whose condition was improving very much of late, has not been so well. Pleurisy set in as the typhoid was clearing off, so it will be impossible to move her from the city for some time.

It has been a long and trying illness, and her family and friends will be greatly relieved when she can be moved from the heat of the city to the cooler air of some resort to recuperate further.

ONCE in a while, between the stories of devastation and want in the lately occupied region of France, a ray of light comes into the darkness. I was interested in reading a letter Miss Julia Williamson sent home recently, where in she tells of her travels to the front. It is a long letter and tells of covering miles and miles of country and today after town. She is over there doing "Y" work, you know. And she speaks of going to "Nadelain Farm" at Nantelles, which was virtually a ruin. She says that some soldiers who were there at the time of the armistice and that while they were on the spot the proprietor of the farm had come back and dug up from the cellar 65,000 francs which he had buried there in 1914. What a happiness that must have been to one who had known poverty and privation all during the war, to find so much of his one time possessions left intact, and real money, too.

I HOPE it won't be so hot today for Harriet Frazier's wedding, and Alastair McCleod too is to be married today in New York. The Cheston-Frazier nuptials will take place in Jenkintown, where the Fraziers have moved to their country place. Harriet is named for her grandmother, the late Mrs. William West Frazier, who was Miss Harriet Harrison. She is a sister of George Harrison Frazier, Jr., who is engaged to Mary Clark and comes back to Philadelphia with her engagement to Luella Edwards of Brooklyn was announced last week.

Charlie Cheston is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Radcliffe Cheston, of Chestnut Hill, and a brother of Radcliffe Cheston, Jr., whose wife, Sydney Ellis, died this spring. He is also a brother of Betty and Charlotte Cheston, and of Morris and James Cheston, 4th.

NANCY WYNNE.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sayre Broadhead, of Stratford, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Frances Clyde M. Broadhead, and Mr. M. A. Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Cooper, of Rome, Ga. Mr. Cooper, who was a captain in the 104th Infantry, has just returned from overseas. Miss Broadhead made her debut in 1916. The wedding will take place early in the fall.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Frederik Frayle Hollowell, of Stanborough, Wayne, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Margaret Helen Hollowell, and Mr. William Apperson Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Apperson Johnson, of Richmond, Va. Mr. Johnson has just received his discharge from the navy. Miss Hollowell, who is a sister of J. Guy Hollowell, who married Miss Gertrude Phillips, and of Miss Nancy Hollowell, made her debut about three years ago. No date has been set for the wedding.

Miss Lorraine G. Graham, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Eldon Graham, of Eldorado, Devon, gave a small swimming party and dinner at Mill Dam Creek Club last evening.

Mr. John Hanelhurst Mason, Jr., whose marriage to Miss Agnes Brockway, daughter of Mrs. William G. Warden, of Red Gate, School House lane, Germantown, will take place tomorrow, will give his ushers' dinner this evening at the Anchorage. The guests will include Mr. Frank R. Armstrong, of Mississippi, who will act as best man; Mr. W. Warren Kelleter, Mr. W. W. White, Mr. S. Foster Williams, of Baltimore; Mr. Norris S. Barrett, Jr., of Kingsport, Douglas, of Chicago,

MRS. ANDREW WEBB AND CHILDREN



Mrs. Webb, who lives in Ogontz, is with her two little daughters, Miss Kathleen Webb and Miss Clementina Webb

PRESSER CHORUS IN ITS SPRING CONCERT

Assisted by Zeckwer-Hahn Orchestra. It Gives Mendelssohn's "Hymn of Praise"

The annual spring concert of the Theodore Presser Choral Society, assisted by the Zeckwer-Hahn Orchestra, took place in Witherspoon Hall last evening before a large crowd who braved the heat to hear an enjoyable, though long concert.

The features of the concert were the singing of Mendelssohn's "Hymn of Praise" by the Choral Society, accompanied by the orchestra and three violin solos of Grisha Monasewitch, a talented pupil of Mr. Hahn. The young violinist played the Prelude from the Sonata No. 6 of Bach, Kreisler's "Sweet Rosemary" and the brilliant Scherzo Tarantella of Wieniawski, which he played with great skill.

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LATHERED, EATS ICE CREAM

Being the Story of a Westerner, High Prices and a Manicure

He wore a sombrero and a determined expression. His chin indicated that he talked to the point.

He draped lazily into a chair in the crystal barber shop of a deluxe hotel on Broad street.

"Shave!" he drawled. "While still encased in lather he muttered 'manicure.'"

He was in the midst of both operations when he suddenly started at the barber by murmuring "ice cream."

"On the face?" asked the barber. "No, in the face," said the customer.

It was brought. He ate it between scrapes. And then the check for the cream was handed to him.

"Forty cents," it said mutely. "I'll take it," also—& \$? & \$? snarled the man from the West.

"Out in Arizona I kin git better ice cream than that for a dime." But that was not all.

"Sixty cents," said the demure manicurist. "That's what I call gettin' trimmed at both ends," said the Arizona man. He paid it.

MERCHANT MARINE URGED

GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS JUNE 15 'BOOK SUNDAY'

Sunday Schools asked to Co-operate to Supply Overseas Soldiers With Good Reading

Governor Sproul will name Sunday, June 15, as "Book Sunday." Every Sunday school child in the state will be asked to bring a book or magazine suitably inscribed to be sent to the 750,000 American soldiers still overseas.

The appeal to the Governor will be made at the request of C. H. Smith, 1200 North Broad street, who represents the American Library Association, which has charge of the furnishing of books and reading matter to the American soldiers.

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TEACHERS ASK BONUS

Education Board to Decide on Vacation Funds Next Monday

The Board of Education has been appealed to by Prof. T. Eugene Baker, who, as president of the Teachers' Association, represents more than 6000 instructors in the city, to grant a "vacation bonus" of \$100 to each teacher. The request was referred to the financial committee of the board.

"As managers of the schools of Philadelphia," Professor Baker said in addressing the board members, "it would be good business for you to borrow money to pay the teachers a vacation bonus of \$100. It would be a very small investment, for if the bonus is withheld you will not have an efficient working organization of teachers when the schools open next fall."

"We haven't the money and we can't get \$800,000 to pay this bonus," was Simon Gratz's answer to the request.

Professor Baker then asked if financial relief could not be extended at least to the small-salaried teachers in the elementary school, or if the \$50 bonus due them next Christmas could be advanced in June. He said it was important that some action be taken before the schools closed this month, as many of the teachers would be compelled to take permanent positions outside of the schools.

William Rowen, chairman of the committee on elementary schools, referred the matter to the financial committee, of which John Wanamaker is chairman. It will meet next Monday.

MERCER COMING TO U. S.

Primate of Belgium, Who Defied Germans, Due in September

New York, June 5.—Albert Cardinal Mercier, archbishop of Malines and primate of Belgium, whose defiance of the Germans and unremitting work for his people made him one of the outstanding figures of the world war, will arrive here next September to thank America in person for the assistance given to Belgium according to a cable message received by the commission for relief in Belgium.

Cardinal Mercier will land in New York, and after a brief visit here will go to Baltimore, where he will be the guest of Cardinal Gibbons.

CONVOCATION WOMEN IN VICTORY FESTIVAL

Fete Held on Caspar W. Haines Estate, Germantown, Is Great Success

The victory fete held yesterday afternoon by the Women's Aid of the Convocation of North Philadelphia at the "Wyck," the Germantown estate of Caspar Wistar Haines, was a huge success, according to a report by the committee in charge of the affair.

The Haines house with its old-fashioned surroundings proved an ideal staging of the fete, which was in the nature of a colonial affair.

Aides in gaily colored colonial costumes flitted about beneath the oaks and maples, selling their wares from novel little baskets carried on their arms. At one side of the house large tables, temptingly spread with snowy cloths and spotless china and silver, awaited the arrival of those who wished to sup beneath the trees, while on the lawn in front of the house smaller tables, decked for afternoon tea, invited the passer-by.

One of the busiest booths was that which contained the "Magic Goose," a grab-bag for children, and the shrieks of delight from the little ones who constantly surrounded it amply testified to its popularity.

Underneath the shade of the trees played fitting music, while the guests enjoyed the beauties of the summer afternoon.

Wares of all descriptions, from dish-towels to lollypops and from canned goods to corsage bouquets, were sold at the various booths which dotted the lawn. Each table was in charge of representatives of several churches of the convocation, twenty-six parishes in all taking part in the fete. The proceeds of the affair will be used as a building fund for a parish house for the church of St. Augustine, Germantown.

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Studio Danvers

The Place in Town to Dance 1850 Market St.

Tonight is Studio Night at Danvers. Tomorrow is Derby Night. Wednesday is Kewpie Night. Thursday is Kewpie Night. Friday is Kewpie Night. Saturday is Kewpie Night. Sunday is Kewpie Night.

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JUNE AND DEMOBILIZATION ABLE AIDS TO DAN CUPID

Discharged Yanks So Used to Discipline They Can't Do Without It and Marriage License Clerks Work Overtime Issuing Permits to Wed

RECORDS are going smash at the Marriage License Bureau these June days, with the demobilization of American troops lately back from France.

Whether it is because June—true lovers' month—has come round again in the swinging cycle of the year, or because the lads who went to France to fight brought the habit home with them, or because they are so used to discipline that they can't get along without it—the clerks at the Marriage License Bureau do not pretend to know.

They are quite certain, however, that all the Philadelphia soldiers who were not married before they went to war are preparing to get married, now they are home. Since the last days of May so many applicants have been rushing to the bureau that the clerks had to send a call for help to the police department, and now two or three patrolmen keep the would-be's from fighting—with other would-be's, of course, and not with each other—not yet with each other—for first place in line. And khaki uniforms, or just plain clothes with service buttons in coat lapels, are greatly in the majority.

600 Apply in Few Days

Adrian Bonnelly, of the license bureau, says that in the first few days of June more than 600 couples sought the friendly aid of the license clerks. This is at least 150 more than demanded licenses during the corresponding days of 1918.

"When the birds are singing, and the sun is shining, and June is here," said Mr. Bonnelly poetically, "then the girls and their swains come after marriage licenses. Whether the girls are old or young makes no difference."

"Lately, we had an applicant who was eighty-one years old. His bride to be was sixty-eight—he thought she was a regular 'chicken' compared to himself. When I asked him if he could support a wife he told me to go to—Heaven."

"And then at the other extreme, a girl of thirteen came in the other day with a prospective bridegroom of twenty-three. They were Italian—southern Italians. They marry young."

Now, with the northern Italians it is different. Mr. Bonnelly is himself an Italian—a northern Italian, from Tuscany, though from his speech you would figure him a Philadelphian born and bred.

"We expect an even bigger rush the remaining days of the week—biggest of all on Saturday. Every day soldiers have been almost in the majority. I'll tell you a funny incident. Came a soldier and his sweetheart one day this week. He was in uniform. He had two wound stripes on his arm. He was an Italian-American who had fought bravely for his adopted country in some of the hardest battles. And he was trembling with fright so that his knees knocked together.

"I asked him, 'What are you trembling for?'"

"'Me no can tell,' he answered me. 'Me no shake in France when I fight so dam' hard.'"

Becomes an Epidemic

Perhaps a commission of experts might isolate and label with a long, Latin name the germ of a marriage epidemic that is sweeping the country. Possibly it was brought back by the soldiers and sailors, like the "flu," for they are at present the hardest hit. At all events, getting married is as epidemic as spring fever in every city in the land.

New York reports the soldiers—and some civilians, too—standing in long ranks to get license papers; Brooklyn virtually doubled the number of marriage licenses issued the first few days of June over the same days a year ago; Manhattan was only a small per cent behind.

Washington is speeding up likewise, with totals three times as great as last year. In Milwaukee they are hiring extra marriage-license clerks; Pittsburgh applications have increased 500 per cent; Detroit figures have doubled; Cleveland clerks are fairly swamped with applications, and St. Paul reports a 20 per cent increase. And in every one of these cities 50 per cent or more of the applicants—on the male side—are discharged soldiers. How many of the females are "militants" the reports do not reveal.

LESSEE WILL IMPROVE BELLEVUE-STRATFORD

General du Pont to Spend Several Hundred Thousand Dollars on Hotel Property

Interior improvements costing several hundred thousand dollars will be made at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, which has been leased for a term of years by the owners, George C. Boldt, Jr., and his sister, Mrs. A. Graham Miles, to L. M. Boomer.

Mr. Boomer, present manager of the Waldorf-Astoria and the McAlpin, New York, represents T. Coleman du Pont.

The change in control already has been effected. There will be no change in policy, Mr. Boomer stated today. He said, however, that prices at the Bellevue-Stratford, in common with those of other hotels everywhere, probably will be somewhat higher after prohibition comes in.

Mr. Boldt will retire from the active management of the hotel and will be succeeded by J. P. A. O'Connor, who has been associated with Mr. Boomer in New York in the management of the two hotels there.

The Bellevue-Stratford was built in 1904 by the late George C. Boldt, then owner of the Bellevue, on the northwest corner of Broad and Walnut streets, where the Manufacturers' Club now stands, and the Stratford, on the southwest corner of Broad and Walnut streets, the site of the present Bellevue-Stratford.

The amount of the annual lease was not divulged. Mr. Boomer took possession yesterday. The hotel is assessed at \$5,000,000, though it is said to represent a larger investment than this amount. The present personnel will be retained.

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HUSBAND RECEIVES \$5 IN BEQUEST FROM WIFE

Woman Left Balance of Estate, \$32,500, to Brother and Sister

Without leaving any explanation, Mrs. Mary A. Fitzpatrick, 2233 North Sixteenth street, in disposing of her estate, cut off her husband with \$5, leaving the remainder of her effects, valued at \$32,500, to a brother and sister.

Her will was admitted to probate today.

Charitable and religious organizations were the beneficiaries in the will of Isabella McLeod Brewster, 150 Harvey street, Germantown. Her estate is valued at \$35,000.

She left \$1000 each to the Pennsylvania branch of the Shut-in Society and the Presbyterian Home for Aged Couples at Bala and \$500 each to the following: Home Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, Bedford Street Mission, Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Pennsylvania Society to Protect Children from Cruelty, Wloscoer Mission of Germantown and the Germantown Hospital. The remainder of the estate was left to relatives.

Relatives were the beneficiaries of the will of Alfred W. Dilmer, who died recently at the Samaritan Hospital. He left an estate valued at \$22,570.

Other wills admitted to probate follow: Maria K. Young, 1121 Hender street, \$10,300; William A. Hender, 1500 Locust street, \$8000; John J. Ashton, Frenchtown, N. J., \$5350.

The personal effects of John M. Smith, 2109 Green street, were appraised at \$372,345.72; Josephine MacNeill, \$32,627.85; Ella C. Swartz, \$9603.63.

Band Concert Tonight

The Municipal Band will play tonight at Cliveden Park, Cliveden and Chew streets, at 8 o'clock.

PHILADELPHIA'S LEADING THEATRES

ADDELPHI Theatre, Broad Below Race, TONIGHT AT 8:15

WALKER WHITESIDE

The Little Brother

Sam S. SHUBERT Theatre

Oh, Uncle

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LAST 3 DAYS

FORREST

Positively Last Week

FIDDLERS

Next Monday Evg., Seats Today

Auction of Souls

BROAD

Positively Last Week

TIGER ROSE

WILLOW GROVE PARK

FRANK ORCHESTRA

Seats Now Selling

LAMBS

FORREST THEATRE

Walnut Mat. Today at 2:20